

Nominate a Distinguished Ethics Official

Each year the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) presents a Distinguished Service Award at the Annual Government Ethics Conference. The award winner at our March 2003 conference was Steve Epstein, Director of the Standards of Conduct Office, Department of Defense. We now would like to solicit nominations from the ethics community for this award to be presented at our New York City conference in March, 2004.

To qualify, the nominee should have rendered distinguished service to the executive branch ethics program for several years. This includes not only managing or assisting in the management of a successful agency ethics program, but also contributing time and effort to the overall executive branch ethics program. You may also nominate an ethics official who has been responsible for an exemplary project, program, event, or accomplishment that enhances the ethics program. Those individuals nominated (but not selected) for the March 2004 Distinguished Service Award will again be considered for the award to be presented at the 2005 conference without having to be re-nominated.

Please send your nomination and justification for this award by January 5, 2004 to

The Honorable Amy L. Comstock
Director
Office of Government Ethics
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While there is no specific format for the justification, we ask that it not exceed four pages. Please include your name and telephone number so we may contact you for more information, if necessary. All nominations will be considered when OGE's senior staff convenes to select the recipient of this year's Distinguished Service Award.

If you have any questions, please contact Jack Covaleski, Deputy Director for Agency Programs, at jjcovale@oge.gov or at 202-482-9220.